

Notes and Memoranda

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND MEMBERS' MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 20th, 1959 at 4.30 p.m. at the Rooms of the Royal Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W.1.

It will be followed, at 5.30 p.m., by a Members' Meeting at which Dr. Isabella Leitch, O.B.E., M.A., D.Sc. and Angus Thomson, Esq., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., will speak on Growth, Heredity and Nutrition.

POPULATION PROBLEMS AND FAMILY PLANNING

Population Problems and Family Planning was the theme of a conference for senior students from overseas held on November 28th and 29th at the Chaplaincy Centre, Forrest Road, Edinburgh, by kind permission of the University. The first of a series of two-day conferences to be held in university and other towns in the United Kingdom under the auspices of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, it was attended by some 160 medical and other students from as far afield as Venezuela and Japan. Professor W. L. M. Perry (Materia Medica) was chairman. Papers were given on "Population Problems", by Dr. R. Passmore (Reader in Physiology); "Maternal Problems" by Professor R. J. Kellar (Obst. and Gyn.) and on "The Human Family" by Professor R. W. B. Ellis (Child Life and Health). Mr. A. H. Richmond of the Social Study Department spoke on "The Changing Status of Women" and Dr. Sidney Collins on the Social Anthropology Department on "The Value put upon Children in different Communities."

Included in the programme was a visit to the Family Planning Association (Edinburgh Branch) Clinic. A talk by Dr. Eleanor Mears of the Family Planning Association, London, about methods of family planning suitable for overseas was illustrated by the film *Studies in Human Fertility*. Also shown was the Japanese film *Family Planning in our Village*, the story of the fishing village of Fukuura-Mura which, following a pilot project by the Japanese Institute of Public Health, succeeded in halving its birth-rate in seven years.

The conference concluded with a lively discussion on such questions as: religious attitudes towards family planning; the effect of family planning on the kinship group; the ideal spacing and number of children; the harmlessness and effectiveness of modern methods of contraception, and whether diet and climate has any effect on fertility.

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

The undermentioned books have been added to the Library during the past quarter:

- Calder-Marshall, Arthur.** *Havelock Ellis: A Biography.* 1959. Pp. 292.
- Census 1951. England and Wales. General Report.* 1958. Pp. 224.
- Collis, John Stewart.** *An Artist of Life: The Life and Work of Havelock Ellis.* 1959. Pp. 245.
- Elton, C.S.** *The Ecology of Invasions by Animals and Plants.* 1958. Pp. 181.
- F.A.O./U.N.** *The State of Food and Agriculture 1958.* 1958. Pp. 222.
- Kallmann, Franz J., et al.** (Editors). *Anniversary Number in Honour of the Sixteenth Birthday of Tage Kemp, August 28th, 1956.* Reprinted from *Acta Genetica et Statistica Medica*. 5, 4 and 6, 1. Presented by Dr. C. P. Blacker.
- Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales for the Year 1956.* Part 3, Commentary. 1958. Pp. 294.
- *for the Year 1957.* Part 1, Tables, Medical. 1958. Pp. 373. Part 2, Tables, Civil. 1959. Pp. 199.
- Roberts, D. F. and Weiner, J. S.** (Editors). *The Scope of Physical Anthropology and its Place in Academic Studies.* 1958. Pp. 64.
- Welpton, P. K. and Kiser, Clyde V.** (Editors). *Social and Psychological Factors Affecting Fertility.* Volume Five. 1958. Pp. 1097-1372.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

- Baroff, George S.** Current Theories on the Etiology of Mongolism. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. December, 1958. 5, 4.
- Butler, J. A. V.** *Inside the Living Cell.* London, 1959. Allen and Unwin. Pp. 174. Price 21s.
- Calder-Marshall, Arthur.** *Havelock Ellis: A Biography.* London, 1959. Hart-Davis. Pp. 292. Price 30s.
- Collis, John Stewart.** *An Artist of Life: The Life and Work of Havelock Ellis.* London, 1959. Cassell. Pp. vii + 245. Price 25s.
- Dorn, Harold F.** Darwin Revisited. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. September. 1958, 5, 3.
- Ediciones del Congreso de la Familia Española.* Parts 1-12.
- Family Service Units.** *Tenth Annual Report, July 1st, 1957-June 30th, 1958.*
- Fisher, Ronald A.** *The Genetical Theory of Natural Selection.* Second revised edition. New York, 1958. Dover Publications Inc. (London: Constable). Pp. xiv + 291. Price 15s.

- Freyre, Gilberto.** *Casa Grande and Senzala*. 2 volumes. Rio de Janeiro, 1958. José Olympio. Pp. lxxviii + 389; 390-766. Price not stated.
- Genetics, Proceedings of the X International Congress August 20th-27th, 1958.** McGill University, Montreal. Toronto, 1958. University Press. (London: Academic Books.) Vol. II, Abstracts. Pp. 339. Price 7 guineas the set of two volumes.
- Gesenius, Henrich.** *Empfängnisverhütung*. Munich and Berlin, 1959. Urban & Schwarzenberg. Pp. viii + 224. Price DM. 28.
- Harrison, R. G. (Editor).** *Studies in Fertility 1958*. Including Papers read at the Conference of the Society for the Study of Fertility, London, 1958. Being Volume X of the Proceedings of the Society. Oxford, 1958. Blackwell. Pp. x + 176. Price 25s.
- Hirschhorn, Kurt.** The Status of Human Genetics in Western Europe. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. December, 1958. 5, 4.
- Humanismus und Technik.** Berlin-Charlottenburg.
- McClure, F. A.** Bamboo in the Economy of Oriental Peoples. From the *Smithsonian Report* for 1957. (Publication 4328.)
- Mourant, A. E., Kopec, Ada C. and Domaniewska-Sobczak, K.** *The ABO Blood Groups: Comprehensive Tables and Maps of World Distribution*. Oxford, 1958. Blackwell. Pp. viii + 276. Price 42s.
- Neel, J. V.** The Genetics of Blood. Reprinted from *The Pediatric Clinics of North America*. May, 1957.
- Pope Pius XII.** Moral Questions of Genetics of the Blood. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. December, 1958. 5, 4.
- Scheinfeld, Amram.** Changing Attitudes towards Human Genetics and Eugenics. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. September, 1958. 5, 3.
- Shepherd, A. P.** *Marriage was made for Man: A Study of the Problem of Marriage and Divorce in relation to the Church of England*. London, 1958. Methuen. Pp. 112. Price 8s. 6d.
- Statistica Rocenka Republiky Ceskoslovenske 1958.** Orbis-Praha, 1958. State Statistical Office. Pp. 488. Price 36 Kopeks.
- Sutter, Jean.** The Relation of Human Genetics to Demography. Reprinted from *Eugenics Quarterly*. September, 1958. 5, 3.
- Whelpton P. K. and Kiser, Clyde V. (Editors).** *Social and Psychological Factors Affecting Fertility* Volume Five. New York, 1958. Milbank Memorial Fund. Pp. vi + 1087-1372. Price \$1.00.
- W.H.O. Malaria Eradication: A Plea for Health.** Geneva, 1958. W.H.O. Pp. 12.

ELECTIONS TO THE SOCIETY

The following have been elected Fellows (*) and Members of the Society during the past quarter:

- H. K. Ashby.
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